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wherein each of R^1 to R^{12} independently represents a hydrogen atom, a halogen atom, hydroxy group, substituted or non-substituted amino group, nitro group, cyano group, substituted or non-substituted alkyl group, substituted or non-substituted alkenyl group, substituted or non-substituted styryl group, substituted or non-substituted cycloalkyl group, substituted or non-substituted alkoxy group, substituted or non-substituted aromatic hydrocarbon group, substituted or non-substituted aromatic heterocyclic group, substituted or non-substituted aralkyl group or substituted or non-substituted aryloxy group; any two of R^1 to R^{12} may form a ring; however, at least one of R^1 to R^{12} is a diarylamino group represented by $-NAr^1Ar^2$ (each of Ar^1 and Ar^2 represents substituted or non-substituted aromatic hydrocarbon group or substituted or non-substituted aromatic heterocyclic group), and at least one of the R^1 to R^{12} other than the diarylamino group is a group with steric hindrance for suppressing aggregation of molecules,

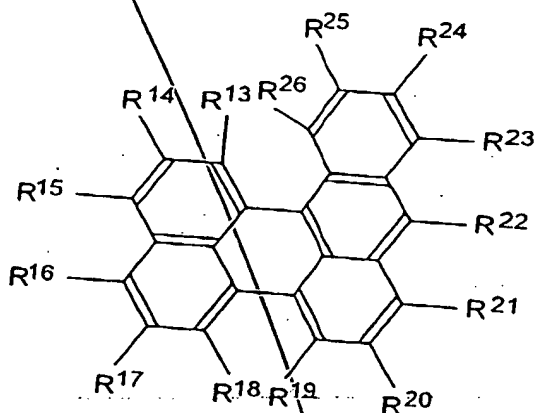
wherein the group with steric hindrance included in the general formula [1] is a substituted or non-substituted alkyl group, a substituted or non-substituted cycloalkyl group, a substituted or non-substituted alkoxy group, a substituted or

non-substituted aromatic heterocyclic group, a substituted or non-substituted aralkyl group or a substituted or non-substituted aryloxy group.

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2. (Amended) The organic EL device as defined in claim 1, wherein at least one of A¹ and Ar² has a substituted or non-substituted styryl group as a substituent.

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7. (Amended) An organic EL device comprising an anode, a cathode, and one or more organic thin-film layers including a light-emitting layer sandwiched between the anode and the cathode, at least one of the organic thin-film layers including [either singly or as a mixture] a benzoperylene compound represented by a general formula [2] as follows:



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wherein each of R¹³ to R²⁶ independently represents a hydrogen atom, a halogen atom, hydroxyl group, substituted or non-substituted amino group, nitro group, cyano group, substituted or non-substituted alkyl group, substituted or non-substituted alkenyl group, substituted or non-substituted styryl group, substituted

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or non-substituted cycloalkyl group, substituted or non-substituted alkoxy group, substituted or non-substituted aromatic hydrocarbon group, substituted or non-substituted aromatic heterocyclic group, substituted or non-substituted aralkyl group or substituted or non-substituted aryloxy group; and two of R^{13} to R^{26} may form a ring; and at least one of R^{13} to R^{26} is a group with steric hindrance for suppressing aggregation of molecules,

wherein the group with steric hindrance included in the general formula [2] is a substituted or non-substituted alkyl group, a substituted or non-substituted cycloalkyl group, a substituted or non-substituted alkoxy group, a substituted or non-substituted aromatic heterocyclic group, a substituted or non-substituted aralkyl group, or a substituted or non-substituted aryloxy group.

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9. (Amended) The organic EL device as defined in claim 8, wherein at least one of Ar^1 and Ar^2 has a substituted or non-substituted styryl group as a substituent.

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